

# APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM OREGON HOUSE DELEGATION FISCAL YEAR 2010

1. Project Title: Polk County Readiness Center PROJ # 410120

2. Organization Name and address:

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4. Project Location Address (if different from Organization): Dallas, OR

5. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities, and whether it is a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity:

The Oregon National Guard provides the citizens of the State of Oregon and the United States of America with a ready force of citizen soldiers and airmen, equipped and trained to respond to any contingency.

6. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (please keep to 500 words or less.)

Project: Replace the existing armory in Dallas, Oregon to adequately accommodate the 162 Engineer Company.

Requirement: Design and construct a 40,263 square foot readiness center to support administrative and training functions of 162 Engineer Company (MAC), with adequate classroom and administrative spaces for training and operations for homeland security, antiterrorism and force protection.

Current situation: The 18,206 square feet Dallas Armory, built in 1911, is the oldest operational armory in the State of Oregon. The Armory has structural failure substantiated by a structural analysis done in FY2009. The roof and supporting members are severely damaged from age exacerbated by environmental exposure due to severely cracked structural masonry. The unit has vacated the existing facility to preclude injury or loss of life. The existing site on which the armory facility sits is 0.34 acres owned by the State of Oregon. This size does not meet standards

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to accommodate facilities required by the newly transformed units, or current force protection standards. The unit's vehicles and equipment are stored on Polk County leased ground of 1.75 acres and in 678 square feet of shared maintenance building space. Dallas Armory readiness rating based upon Army-wide Installation Status Report criteria is "Black", indicating the cost to restore this facility far exceeds 40% of the plant replacement value, and does not support the military mission. Major deficiencies of this Armory include; not meeting Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection measures, inadequate parking for unit members, and inadequate military vehicle parking. The Armory also has undersized and inadequate offices, restrooms, classrooms, kitchen, heating and cooling systems, utilities, and no fire and life safety systems. This facility does not meet current construction or occupancy codes for ADA, seismic, fire and life safety systems, and is not energy efficient.

Impact if not provided: If the project is not approved, this facility's lack of adequate space and infrastructure will continue to hamper the unit's mission readiness. Lack of adequate features such as classrooms and offices severely restrict the unit's ability to conduct home station pre and post mobilization/deployment processing. Lack of an adequate kitchen costs the federal government more by catering meals rather than the unit preparing meals. Lack of classroom space restricts the unit's ability to conduct training. Lack of maintenance space hampers the unit's ability to train soldiers on how to maintain equipment and vehicles and to conduct maintenance. Lack of adequate compound space impacts ability to store assigned vehicles and equipment. Lack of privately owned vehicle parking space impacts soldier morale and ability of unit to recruit and retain authorized strength. These facility shortfalls significantly impact the unit's mission readiness.

7. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years? **No.**

7a. If yes, please provide fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding. **Not Applicable.**

8. Federal agency and account from which funds are requested (Please be specific –e.g. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account):

**Department of Defense Military Construction (MILCON) account**

9. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

The purpose of the project is to replace the Dallas Armory built in 1911, with a new Readiness Center for the 162 Engineer Company, Oregon Army National Guard. The current armory is structurally unsound due to age and recent winter storm damages, such that it is no longer safe to occupy. Unit personnel are conducting training assemblies at an alternate location in Salem, OR.

The unit readiness center is the local projection platform and center of gravity for Army National Guard Mobilizations and Deployments; the readiness center is the face of the National Guard to the community. It is where soldiers meet and train as well as store operational equipment. It is the center of support for communities during natural and man-made disasters and the center for administration and maintenance as well as being a community center during times of peace.

National Guard Readiness Centers support unit family support activities during mobilizations and deployment. It is where service member's families meet, and receive briefings.

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Unit personnel and the unit family program have worked diligently to support the local economy in Dallas. The move to Salem makes it difficult to support local businesses. The sooner this unit moves home, the better for the unit and the city of Dallas.

This project is ready to execute and funding will be obligated within the Federal Fiscal Year putting money directly into the local and state economy providing jobs in construction and maintenance during the period of construction and supporting the local economy post construction. Additionally, this facility will be available for use by citizens and groups throughout the area through the OMD rental program to hold functions and events further supporting the local economy.

Projects of this scope average a total of 62 sub-contracts with an average of 12 employees per contract. The total number of construction related jobs is 750-1000.

10. Have you requested funding for this project from other Members of Congress? If so, who?

Rep. Ron Blumenauer	Sen. Jeff Merkley
Rep. Peter DeFazio	Sen. Ron Wyden
Rep. Kurt Schrader	
Rep. Greg Walden	
Rep. David Wu	

11. Funding Details:

a. Total project cost (all funding sources and all years): **\$22,586,933**

b. Amount being requested for this project in Fiscal Year 2010: **\$17,256,133**

c. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please provide specific dollar amount or percentage.) **State of Oregon, \$5,330,800**

d. Do you expect to request federal funding in future years for this project? **No**

e. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project in FY 2010.

**\$1,752,000 in Federal funds to design, \$15,504,133 in Federal funds to construct.**

f. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project:

**Polk County: Planning Director-Austin McGuigan (503) 623-6009**  
**City of Dallas: Community Development Director-Kevin Watson (503) 831-3512**  
**City of Dallas: City Manager-Jerry Wyatt (503) 623-2338**

g. Is this project scalable? (i.e. if partial funding is awarded, will the organization be able to use the funds in FY 2010?): **No**